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1. Since mid-October Mukden has been in a state of war. Factories, schools, dependents of government officials, and doctors and students in particular are being evacuated. On 20 October, the Mukden Arsenal moved part of its machinery to Peian (126-22, 48-12) for storage, until a new site can be found. The first, third, and fifth machinery factories have moved to Chiamussu. Most of the machinery of the Fushun coal mine is packed and waiting shipment to North Manchuria. Only the first and second mines are in production.
2. Between mid-October and mid-November over 400,000 troops of the 40, 42, 43, and 45 Armies of the 4 Field Army crossed the Yalu River into North Korea.* The remainder of the 4 Field Army is disposed in Antung, Linchiang (126-54, 41-49), Changvai (128-11, 41-25), and T'umen (圖們). LIN Piao is in Antung directing the fighting.
3. The Chinese Communists plan to withdraw their forces in mid-November from the Antung, Mukden, and Chihnsien area to North Manchuria, should they be unable to stop the U.S. forces from crossing the Yalu River. After fighting develops in Manchuria, the Communists plan to attack and surround U.S. forces from North Manchuria and Inner Mongolia. The Chinese Communists admit U.S. sea and air supremacy but are confident of victory on land.
4. On 14 November Soviet troops in Mukden stated that there were about 200,000** Soviet troops along the Mukden-Dairen Railroad.

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* Comment. This figure is believed exaggerated. The 40 and 42 Armies have been reported in North Korea, but presence there of the 43 and 45 Armies has not been confirmed.

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